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Alan K. Ormsby named Director of Utah Division of Services for People with Disabilities

Alan K. Ormsby has been named the new Director of Utah Division of Services for People with Disabilities. Ormsby previously served as Utah Division of Aging and Adult Services Director since 2005. He is a lawyer and administrator and has actively worked with county and non-profit partners to maximize available services.

"Alan is just what we need to maintain the progress we have been making on the critical funding issues surrounding disabilities in Utah," said Lisa-Michele Church, Executive Director of Utah Department of Human Services. "He has been an excellent advocate for aging issues at the Legislature and understands the unique public policy challenges around support for vulnerable adults, whether they are aging clients or people with disabilities."

Ormsby has worked in the area of aging policy since graduating from law school in 2001. He is familiar with the Medicaid waiver programs, which form the core funding for both aging and disabilities populations in Utah. Ormsby is looking forward to learning from Utah's families what is needed for disabilities services.

"I welcome the new challenge," said Ormsby. "People with disabilities and their families need critical services in Utah and I pledge to work hard on their behalf."

Alan has served as a member on the Board of Utah Developmental Disabilities Council, Senator Hatch's Advisory Committee on People with Disabilities, and several long-term care policy groups. In his previous position he was responsible for statewide home- and community-based services for Utah residents ages 60 and over. He also supervised Adult Protective Services, which investigates claims of abuse, neglect and exploitation involving persons who are disabled or elderly. Ormsby brings a wealth of analytical and advocacy skills to his new position.

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